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a. INTRODUCTION:

This position is located in an Army Aviation Support Facility (AASF) or Army Aviation Flight Activity (AAFA) with responsibility for the performance of the full range of aircraft maintenance duties including troubleshooting, preventive maintenance, repair, and ground testing of assemblies, systems, and surfaces for one or more types of military aircraft, fixed and rotary wing.

b. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- (1) Performs inspections, functional checks, and preventive maintenance on assigned aircraft to include phase inspection, daily inspections, pre and post flight inspections and such special inspections as required, including fuel contamination checks, oil sampling, and inspection of onboard emergency equipment. Conducts checks on hydraulic, electrical, transmission, power systems, etc.
- (2) Troubleshoots, diagnoses, and performs unscheduled maintenance on assigned and transient aircraft. Performs the full range of repair and testing of aircraft systems, assemblies, and surfaces. Using a variety of methods involving test equipment, visual checks, and instruments, diagnoses and identifies problem reas and determines the extent of repairs required. Removes components and assemblies, repairs or replaces defective parts and components and reassembles repaired items into the aircraft. Installs, aligns, and makes needed adjustments to major components and assemblies such as engines, propeller/rotors, transmissions, hydraulic systems, etc., assisting Specialists as required. Accomplishes adjustments to related systems which may be affected by repairs. Conducts ground functional tests of all aircraft systems. Services aircraft with oil, de-icing fluid, fuel, and hydraulic fluid. Launches and recovers assigned and transient aircraft; performs inspections prior to takeoff. Inspects for conditions such as oil, fuel, and hydraulic leaks, cut lines, tires and loose panels.
- (3) May be required to perform such additional duties as fire fighting, aircraft crash/rescue, snow removal, etc.
 - (4) Performs other duties as assigned.

c. SUPERVISORY CONTROLS:

Work is performed under the general supervision of the Aircraft Mechanic Foreman. Assignments are usually relayed by the Crew Chief (Aircraft Mechanic WG-ll) and are typically in the form of work orders, inspection reports or verbal instructions. The incumbent is expected to plan work sequences, select proper tools and repair parts, and carry out assignments through to completion, referring only unusual and difficult problems to the supervisor. Requirements for Shop Specialists, i.e., Propeller-Rotor Mechanics, Aircraft Engine Mechanic, etc., and engine rum-up are referred to the Crew Chief. Work may be checked in process and upon completion or acceptability and adherence to instructions and established standards. Published guidance includes technical manuals, manufacturers' specifications, factory bulletins and standard operating procedures.

d. WORKING CONDITIONS:

Works inside and outside, in inclement weather, on icy, wet, and slippery ramps and work-stands in temperature and humidity extremes. Work areas may be drafty, noisy and have toxic fumes present. Irritants such as aircraft fluids, dirt, grease, dust, paint and solvents may be present. Exposure to cuts, burns, electrical shock, strains, and broken bones exists.

e. PHYSICAL EFFORT:

Required to climb, stand, stoop, bend, stretch, and work in tiring and uncomfortable positions. Frequently lifts parts and equipment weighing up to 20 pounds. Occasionally lifts and carries items weighing 50 pounds and over.

f. OTHER SIGNIFICANT FACTORS:

Eligible for NGB Non-Aviator Flying Status when designated to participate in Army Maintenance Test Flights.

g. QUALIFICATIONS:

- (1) Must have 18 months experience and/or appropriate training in such functions as troubleshooting, repairing, maintaining, servicing, inspecting and modifying aircraft, aircraft installed equipment and related ground equipment.
- (2) Must have experience and/or appropriate training which would demonstrate a thorough knowledge of aircraft systems and components in electrical, fuel, hydraulic, environmental and mechanical principles in sufficient detail to perform his duties and responsibilities as applied to the units aircraft and supportive systems maintenance management systems maintenance and data reporting, required to insure proper work sequence planning and review, and a thorough understanding of technical orders, maintenance regulations and management operating procedures.

EVALUATION STATEMENT

- 1. Position Description Number: R6737200
- 2. Title, Series and Grade: Aircraft Mechanic, WG-8852-10
- 3. Office of Personnel Management Standard Used in the Evaluation: Job Grading Standard for Aircraft Mechanic WG-8852, dated Feb 1969

4. Background:

This position description is the result of a nationwide classification study which has resulted in a significant reassignment of duties and responsibilities, especially with respect to the WG-11 Aircraft Mechanics. The WG-10 Aircraft Mechanic will henceforth function as a full-performance journeyman who works as part of a team headed by a WG-11. The team performs Aviation Unit Maintenance (AVIM) and Aviation Intermediate Maintenance (AVIM) on an assigned number of aircraft.

5. Series Determination:

The Aircraft Mechanic Series, WG-8852, covers all nonsupervisory work involving the repair and maintenance of fixed and rotary wing aircraft, including all association systems, components and assemblies. The correct series for the job is therefore aircraft Mechanic, WG-8852.

6. Title Determination:

The authorized title for jobs covered by this series at the WG-10 level or above is Aircraft Mechanic.

7. Grade Determination:

The major duties and responsibilities of the position substantially match the WG-10 level described in the standard. The incumbent is required to trouble-shoot and diagnose problems using a wide variety of test equipment and determine the type and extent of repairs required. Using a knowledge of how components, systems and assemblies fit and operate together, performs all types of repairs with little or no direction. Removes, repairs, replaces and adjusts components, systems and assemblies. Adjusts and aligns connecting or interrelated assemblies. The level at which these duties are performed is properly evaluated WG-10.

8. Final Classification:

Aircraft Mechanic WG-8852-10

Classifier:	H. Dean Wade	Region:	WCA	Date:_	20 May 1981
Coordinator:	David L. Brough	Date:	20 May 1981		